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Robert W. Gore, Deputy Director



Bob Gore has served as deputy director of the Washington State Department of Agriculture since June 1, 2006. Previously, he led the largest division at WSDA, the Commodity Inspection Division, since 1996. He began his career at WSDA as a grain sampler. As the leader of the Commodity Inspection Division, Bob increased the use of technology to report real-time inspection results and quality data electronically to customers of fruit, vegetable, grain and seed inspections. Due to his special expertise in grains, Bob has participated in furthering the grain industry's accomplishments. He has represented WSDA on the Washington Wheat Commission, Washington Barely Commission, and the Washington Dry Pea & Lentil Commission. Bob is past president of the American Association of Grain Inspection and Weighing Agencies.

As deputy director, Bob supervises the four assistant directors of WSDA divisions regarding agricultural commodity inspections, pesticides and fertilizers, food safety and consumer services, and protection against plant pests and diseases. He also acts as the agency's chief administrative officer and supervises the State Veterinarian's Office.

Bob is responsible for ensuring WSDA programs work together to enhance the position of agriculture as the leading industry in Washington and also for implementing Gov. Gregoire's drive for Government Management Accountability and Performance (GMAP).

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